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Dr., San Jose, CA 95135.

An affidavit completed by Tara Hayden accompanies this petition. The affidavit outlines the steps that were taken by Ms. Hayden to locate Mr. Cheng and the results of those efforts. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Patent and Trademark Office accept the declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47, which provides for such circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,
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AFFIDAVIT OF TARA HAYDEN

I, Tara Hayden, do hereby declare that:

1. I am employed by D'Alessandro & Ritchie, located at 1731 Technology Drive, Suite 700, San Jose, California 95110.

2. I am the person responsible for filing responses to requests to file missing parts. In the course of my job, I contact inventors and obtain their signatures on documents as necessary.

3. On May 19, 1998, a Declaration and Assignment were sent to Mr. Chi Fung Cheng for his signature. A copy of the cover letter is attached as Exhibit A. In addition, I called Mr. Cheng on July 7, 1998 and left a message reminding him that he needed to sign the Assignment and Declaration and send it to me as soon as possible as we had a due date of July 18, 1998. Since July 7, 1998, I again called him on July 28, 1998, August 4, 1998, August 11, 1998, and August 13, 1998 and left a message

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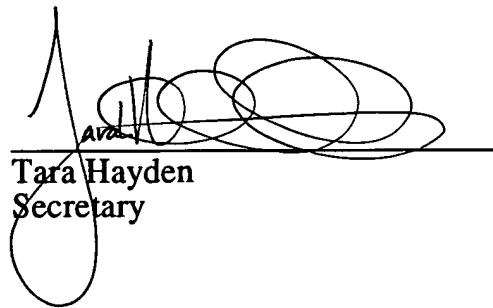
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on his answering machine because I still had not received the signed documents. As of the date of this affidavit, he has not returned the documents to this office.

4. To the best of my knowledge, I believe that Mr. Cheng is unavailable to sign the declaration. All attempts to contact him and apprise him of the situation have been unsuccessful.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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May 19, 1998

Mr. Lawrence Chi Fung Cheng
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re: United States Patent Application entitled, "Dedicated Interface Architecture for a Hybrid Integrated Circuit"
Inventors: Chan, et al.
Serial No.: 09/069,054
Filed: April 28, 1998
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Dear Mr. Cheng:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of today, I enclose herewith the Declaration and the Assignment for this pending U.S. patent application. I also enclose a copy of the application as it was filed for your records.

The Declaration sets forth your statement that you are an original inventor of the device for which a patent is being sought, and that you believe it constitutes a new idea which has not been previously set forth in the industry. Please sign and date it on the line specified for "Inventor 4" and return it to us for filing with the Patent Office.

The Assignment document transfers all of your right, title and interest in and to the application and any patent which may be issued to Actel Corporation. Please note that this document must be signed in the presence of a Notary Public. If you do not have access to a Notary Public, you may come to our office during normal business hours and I will be happy to notarize the document for you free of charge. Our office is located off Guadalupe Parkway, right across the street from the San Jose Airport, and we are open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. If you plan to come by, please telephone first and let me know when I may expect you.

If you have any questions regarding these documents, please feel free to call.

Very truly yours,

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